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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application for:

Sheem et al.

Serial No. 09/512,394

Filed: February 24, 2000

For: **NEGATIVE ACTIVE MATERIAL
FOR RECHARGEABLE LITHIUM
BATTERY AND METHOD OF
PREPARING SAME**

Examiner: J. A. Mercado

Art Group: 1745

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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Commissioner:

In connection with the Office Action mailed December 26, 2001 regarding the above-referenced application, Applicants respectfully request consideration of the following amendments and remarks below.

IN THE DRAWINGS

It is asserted in the Office Action that the drawings are objected to under 37 CFR 1.83(a). Applicants submit new Figure 4 that illustrates a sectional view showing a structure of the negative active material of one embodiment of the present invention. Applicants have also amended the specification to reference Figure 4 where the structure is already explained, without reference to any drawings. Therefore, Applicants submit the content of new Figure 4 does not add new matter. Approval is respectfully requested.

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